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INDIANA MAN SENTENCED FOR COCAINE TRAFFICKING

DEA seized sixteen kilograms of cocaine with a street value of over \$1,500,000

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **JOSE RESENDEZ**, age 57, of 405 S. Portland Street, Knoxville, Indiana, **was sentenced to 7 years and 3 months** in federal prison for possessing five kilograms or more of cocaine with the intent to distribute. **There is no parole in the federal judicial system. Resendez** was also sentenced to 3 years of supervised release to begin after the completion of his prison sentence.

Resendez admitted that prior to May 5, 2006 he arranged to deliver sixteen kilograms of cocaine to a drug dealer in Louisville, Kentucky. On May 5, 2006, **Resendez** and Rogelio Gonzalez-Alanis arrived at the BP station on Zorn Avenue in Louisville in order to distribute cocaine. **Resendez** and Gonzalez-Alanis arrived in different vehicles. **Resendez** was transporting the sixteen kilograms of cocaine. Gonzalez-Alanis was following **Resendez** to make sure that the drug deal went smoothly and to make sure that he received his money for the cocaine. DEA Agents stopped **Resendez** and Gonzalez-Alanis. DEA located the sixteen kilograms of cocaine in a hidden compartment.

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Gonzalez-Alanis pled guilty in August 2006 to the same charges and was sentenced to 4 years and 3 months in federal prison, along with three years supervised release.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Brian Butler, and it was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) with valuable assistance from the Kentucky State Police.

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